### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.1250**

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Contractor Constructing or Repairing Road

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

# ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES: See Below

#### **BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 1250 would amend the South Carolina Code of Laws so as to provide that a contractor constructing or repairing a highway, road, or bridge, for the state or any of its political subdivisions is not liable is not liable for personal injury, property damage or death under certain circumstances.

#### **EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

## Department of Transportation

The Department anticipates enactment would result in a savings to contractors who construct and repair highways and related infrastructure for the state. Enactment should reduce insurance costs for contractors thereby allowing more funds to be used for direct highway construction and repair. Insufficient information exists upon which to make a savings estimate which may be minimal.

## Attorney General's Office

Enactment would have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

#### **SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

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